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IN THE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS:

Please revise the brief description on page 8 of the specification as originally filed to include a description of Fig. 16 as set forth below:

Fig. 15 is a fragmentary perspective view of the reference end of a measuring tape in accordance with an embodiment of the invention-; and

Fig. 16 is a fragmentary bottom plan view of a measuring tape in accordance with an embodiment of the invention.

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